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UNDER 35 USC §371(c)(4) FOR
PCT APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT**

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I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought, namely the invention entitled: SHOCK ABSORBING STEERING APPARATUS

described and claimed in international application number PCT/JP2004/006231 filed April 28, 2004.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Japanese Patent Applications No. 2003-136380 filed May 14, 2003; No. 2003-279544 filed Jul. 25, 2003;
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No. 2003-310419 filed Sep. 2, 2003; and No. 2004-049733 filed Feb. 25, 2004

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